(2) Future plan of action relating to establishment of additional BIS laboratories and the tentative estimates of outlay.

(3) Coordination with other laboratories, providing calibration and training services, etc.

Drinking Water facilities to villages of Allahabad

1830. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the Tehsil-wise number and names of villages in Allahabad District in Uttar Pradesh where drinking water facilities have not been provided so far;

(b) the percentage of the persons out of the total population of Allahabad district to whom drinking water facilities have not been provided so far; and

(c) by when the drinking water facilities are likely to be provided to all the villages of Allahabad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) As per available report from the State Government of Uttar Pradesh, it is anticipated that 591 problem villages in Allahabad district will remain uncovered as on 1.4.1988. In addition, 688 partially covered villages also would be left over for full coverage as on that date. Tehsil-wise coverage of villages and district-wise population coverage is not being monitored at Government of India level.

(c) All uncovered problem villages in Uttar Pradesh are likely to be provided with safe drinking water facilities by March, 1990.

Indo-Soviet study in Kolar Gold Field region

1831. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a joint Indo-Soviet geological study in Kolar Gold Field region was conducted some time back which has shown a likelihood of finding more Gold in the Southern extension of this zone; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and whether any Soviet assistance has been sought in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Pension scheme for newspaper employees

1832. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently received a pension scheme for newspaper employees submitted by the National Union of Journalists (NUJ);

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to bring forward a legislation in this regard; if so, when; and

(d) if not, what other action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The National Union of Journalists has submitted a Note emphasising the need for a pension scheme for Journalists and has given some suggestions in this regard.

(c) and (d) The Finance Minister has stated in his budget speech that Government will be taking appropriate steps in respect of the suggestions for a reasonable pension scheme for working Journalists after consulting all concerned.